

TOWN OF HUDSON

Budget Committee

Ted Trost, Chairman

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Meeting Minutes January 10, 2018 Budget Public Hearing

A. Call to Order

Chairman Ted Trost called the meeting to order in the Hudson Community Center at 7:00 pm, and declared that a quorum was present.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Morin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Attendance

Members Present: Ted Trost, Norm Martin, Jim Barnes, Bob Guessferd, Shawn Murray, Lori Robicheau-Pagan, Grace Hopkins, Andy Levin, Joe Fernald, Board of Selectmen Alternate Representative Dave Morin, School Board Liaison Malcolm Price

Members Absent: None

D. New Business

Open public hearing for the school budget

Article A – Diana Lamothe, Holly Pender, Laurie Blanchette, Brian Lindsey, Shane Coughlin, and Principal Beals made statements on this article

Article B – Lindsay Benson, Diana Lamothe, Brian Lindsey, Dave Morin (Budget Committee), Superintendent Larry Russel, Laurie Blanchette, Principal Beals, Mary Gasdia, and Selectman Ted Luszey made statements on this article

Article C – Stacy Milbouer (School Board), Vice Chairman Norm Martin, Karen Burnell, Lee Lavoie (School Board), Brian Lindsey, Mary Gasdia, Superintendent Russell, Selectman Luszey, Holly Pender, Bob Guessferd (Budget Committee), Shawn Murray (Budget Committee), Lori Robicheau-Pagan (Budget Committee), and Jim Barnes (Budget Committee) made statements on this article

Article D - No comments

Article E - No comments

Article F - No comments

Article G – No comments

Article H - No comments

At 8:09 P.M., Discussion of the school budget declared closed.

Roll Call Vote on School Warrant Articles (detailed voting in table following votes)

- A. Renovations to CTE (Martin/Guessferd): 9-2-0
- B. Additions and renovations to Alvirne High School (Martin/Robicheau-Pagan): 7-4-0
- C. School Operating Budget (Martin/Hopkins): 9-2-0
- D. Collective Bargaining Secretaries (Martin/Price): 10-0-1
- E. Collective Bargaining Federation of PSRP AFT Local #6425 (Martin/Guessferd): 11-0-0
- F. Wage Increase for School Board Members (Levin/Morin): 5-6-0 (motion failed)
- G. Partial Roof Replacement Memorial School (Martin/Robicheau-Pagan): 11-0-0
- H. Increase Funding School Renovation Capital Reserve Fund (Guessferd/Fernald): 11-0-0

School Department Warrant Roll Call Votes

	Warrant Articles	Trost	Martin	Fernald	Barnes	Guessferd	Hopkins	Levin	Murray	Robicheau- Pagan	Price	Morin
1	Renovations to CTE	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	N
2	Additions and renovations to	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	N
	Alvirne High School											
3	School Operating Budget	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
4	Collective Bargaining – Secretaries	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	ABS	Υ	Υ	Υ
5	Collective Bargaining – Federation	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
	of PSRP AFT Local #6425											
6	Wage Increase for School Board	N	N	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ
	Members											
7	Partial Roof Replacement –	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Memorial School											
8	Increase Funding for School	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
	Renovation Capital Reserve Fund											

Chairman Trost declared a recess at 8:18 P.M. Meeting reconvened at 8:30 P.M.

Open Hearing on the town budget

Article 7 - No comments

Article 8 - No comments

Article 9 – No comments

Article 10 - No comments

Article 11 - No comments

Article 12 - No comments

Article 13 - No comments

Article 14 - No comments

Article 15 - No comments

Article 16 - No comments

Article 17 - No comments

Article 18 - No comments

Article 19 - No comments

Article 20 - No comments

Article 21 - No comments

At 8:43 P.M., Discussion of the town budget declared closed.

Roll Call Vote on Town Warrant Articles (detailed voting in table following votes)

- 7. Town operating budget (Morin/Barnes): 11-0-0
- 8. Sewer Fund operating Budget (Morin/Guessferd): 11-0-0
- 9. Water Fund Operating Budget (Morin/Murray): 11-0-0
- 10. Wage/Benefit increase Town Clerk/Tax Collector (Morin/Fernald): 11-0-0
- 11. Town Clerk/Tax Collector salary schedule (Morin/Guessferd): 10-1-0
- 12. Wage/Benefit increase Library personnel (Morin/Murray): 9-2-0
- 13. Hire four firefighters/AEMTs (Morin/Guessferd): 10-1-0
- 14. Hire Associate IT Specialist (Morin/Robicheau-Pagan): 9-2-0
- 15. Widening Lowell Road from Wason Road to Sagamore Bridge (Morin/Levin): 11-0-0
- 16.Benson Park restroom facility (Morin/Price): 5-6-0 (Motion Fails)
- 17. Funding for the Fire Apparatus Refurbishment and Repair Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Murray): 11-0-0
- 18. Funding for the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Guessferd): 11-0-0
- 19. Funding for the Communications Equipment and Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Martin): 11-0-0
- 20. Funding for Library Improvements Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Fernald): 6-5-0
- 21.Establish Municipal and Transportation Improvement Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Martin):6-5-0

Town Warrant Article Roll Call Votes

	Warrant Articles	Trost	Martin	Fernald	Barnes	Guessferd	Hopkins	Levin	Murray	Robicheau- Pagan	Price	Morin
7	Town operating budget (Morin/Barnes): 11-0-0	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Υ
8	Sewer Fund operating Budget (Morin/Guessferd): 11-0-0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y
9	Water Fund Operating Budget (Morin/Murray): 11- 0-0	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ
10	Wage/Benefit increase – Town Clerk/Tax Collector (Morin/Fernald): 11-0-0	Υ	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Υ
11	Town Clerk/Tax Collector salary schedule (Morin/Guessferd): 10-1-0	Υ	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	N	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
12	Wage/Benefit increase – Library personnel (Morin/Murray): 9-2-0	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	N	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
13	Hire four firefighters/AEMTs (Morin/Guessferd): 10-1-0	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
14	Hire Associate IT Specialist (Morin/Robicheau-Pagan): 9-2-0	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Υ	Y	Y	Υ
15	Widening Lowell Road from Wason Road to Sagamore Bridge (Morin/Levin): 11-0- 0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
16	Benson Park restroom facility (Morin/Price): 5-6-0 (Motion Fails)	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Υ	N	N	Υ
17	Funding for the Fire Apparatus Refurbishment and Repair Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Murray): 11-0- 0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Y	Y
18	Funding for the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Guessferd): 11-0-0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
19	Funding for the Communications Equipment and Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund (Morin/Martin): 11-0-0	Y	Y	Y	Y	Υ	Υ	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

20	Funding for Library Improvements Capital	Υ	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	Υ
	Reserve Fund											
	(Morin/Fernald): 6-5-0											
21	Establish Municipal and	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	Υ
	Transportation											
	Improvement Capital											
	Reserve Fund											
	(Morin/Martin):6-5-0											

E. Other Business/Comments

- No Meeting January 16
- Motion (Martin/Guessferd) to officially cancel January 16 meeting, motion carried unanimously
- Budget documents available for signature after 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, January 17, at Town Hall
- Next meeting: Saturday, February 3 at 9:00 School budget deliberation (held at Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ln.).
- Town budget deliberation held Saturday, February 10 (held at Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ln.).

F. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn (Robicheau-Pagan/Price). Passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 P.M.

Prepared by: Joe Fernald, Clerk